

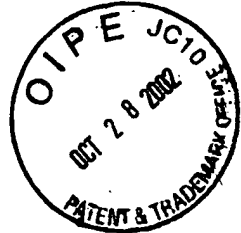
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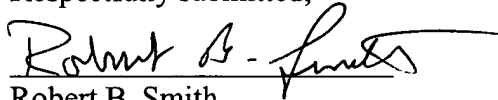
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The applicant does not have a translation of EP 343 507. It was cited by the EPO in the EP counterpart to applicant's U.S. patent No. 6,071,203 (which is cited herein) as a category "A" reference relevant to that application.

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